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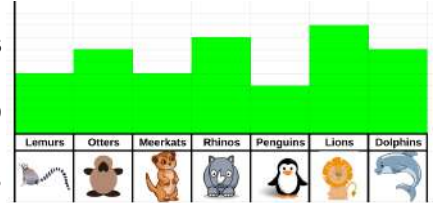
Newsletter

Term 6 Week 1

Friday 6th June 2025

Dear parents and carers,

In assembly today, we saw a huge increase in our Respect Points totals as new for this term, alongside the teachers catching children showing great respect, we are encouraging children to nominate other children to receive Respect Points too. To encourage the children to identify good and kind behaviours, we are asking them to complete a slip nominating others and explaining why it is deserved. There is a caveat that they cannot



nominate someone in their own class, so it means that the children are really being incredibly observant when interacting with others around the school. Well done to **Lions** class for being the first winners based on our new process. Today we took our class photographs, and more information will be with you soon about how to purchase. We have listened to feedback about the expense of professional photographs, so

this year we have done our own - and we are quite pleased with the outcome! We hope you are pleased with the quality and the competitive pricing - and if they do well, then we will look at doing this again in the future.

Lastly, we have had a few questions about what the Egg Chuck is at the Summer Fair - contrary to popular belief it isn't about throwing eggs at Mr Atkins, it is a competition to win the EPS Egg Chuck trophy - take a look at a explanatory [video](#) on our school [Facebook page](#).



Mrs Elliott

★ Stars of the Week ★

In our Friday Celebration Assembly we have been celebrating children who have been making the most of every opportunity:

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Alfred R	Isla Grace H	Alfie W	Shyla M	Penelope M	Mark N	Ella D

Many thanks to **Liam K** for joining me to present assembly today.

**** No assembly next week due to the Father's Day Breakfast****

Attendance

Attendance and punctuality are very important and we have class targets of 96%+. Please make sure that the children attend every day to ensure their class can achieve their targets. Holidays during term-time will not be authorised, this includes those where we are notified both before and after they occur.

Lemurs	Otters	Meerkats	Rhinos	Penguins	Lions	Dolphins
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98%	98%	96%	96%	99%	95%	99%
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Tonbridge Schools' Swimming Gala

We are so incredibly proud of our swim team of **Felicity C, Teddy C, Ella D, Jack H, Oliver L, Scarlet M, Isla N, Elijah S, Leo SN, Isla W** and **Barney W**. They finished a mighty 5th out of 12 teams in the Tonbridge Swimming Gala this week. This is a fabulous result for a 1-form entry village school who were competing against a range of maintained and private schools, some of whom were much bigger and included lots of club swimmers. The team were so supportive of each other, and the timekeeper on our lane said that if there was a prize for the loudest support then we would win it hands down (we think that was a compliment!). A special mention to our medalists **Elijah S** (25m Freestyle), **Isla W** (25m Breaststroke), **Teddy C** (25m Breaststroke) and to our **Boys Relay Team**. Many thanks to the parents for their support - the standing ovation as the children left poolside was a nice touch! And many thanks to the East Peckham poolside team, especially Mrs Askew for being a superb swimming teacher!

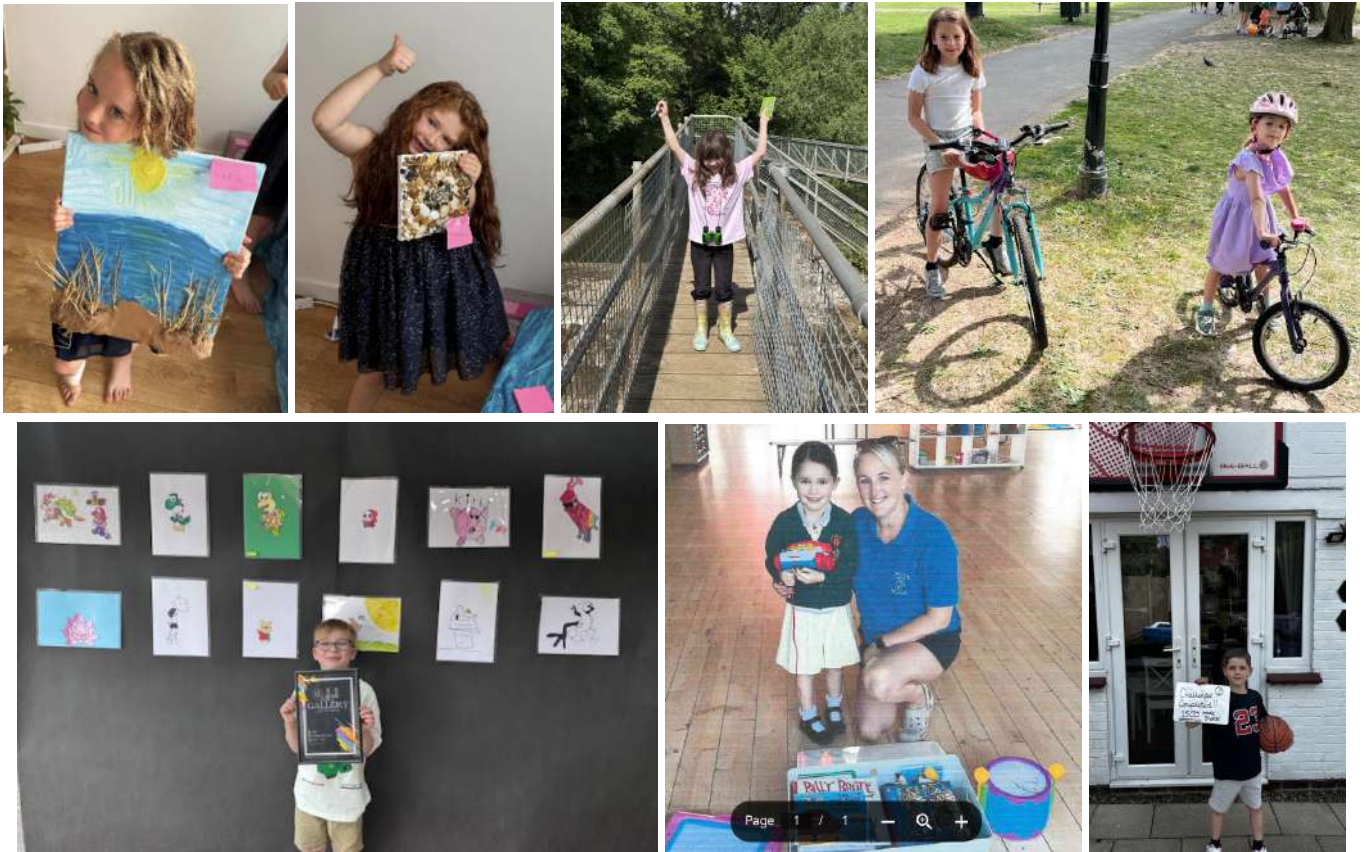


Many thanks to Tonbridge Swimming Club for hosting (more information can be found via their flyer at the end of the newsletter), and to our very own poolside team of Mrs Askew, Mrs Duffield and Mrs Elliott.

PTA Fundraiser - Challenge 2025 - LAST CALL!

Many thanks to everyone who fundraised for Challenge 2025. We have seen some absolutely fantastic challenges including bake sales, sponsored swims, penalty shoot-outs, bike rides, nature walks, bike rides, Lego brick builds, portrait painting, cameo appearances, pogo-stick challenges, toy tombolas, 30-mile walks, art galleries and even climbing the O2! Below are a few photos of the activities - but next week there will be a PTA spectacular shared with the school community - so do send in photographs if you haven't already! We will also announce the grand total - which will be massive as we have already exceeded our target of £2025!





Please can we ask that all contributions and sponsorship forms are now sent into school so that we can add up the totals to see who has won the prizes! We are hoping to announce this to the children as soon as possible. We really appreciate your enthusiasm towards this fundraiser - and we hope you enjoyed it too!

Lemurs Trip to Hastings

On Monday, the Lemurs kicked off the term with an exciting trip to Hastings! They enjoyed a guided tour of the aquarium where children learnt lots of different facts about sea creatures including black tip sharks and seahorses! After lunch (and an ice pop!) on the beach, they then took a tour of the Hastings Lifeboat Station and enjoyed trying on some protective equipment and viewing the two lifeboats stationed there. We are so proud of how well they listened and hope they all enjoyed their first school trip! Thank you all so to the lovely parents who volunteered to join us.





Success at the Oakwood Tournament



On Thursday, Oakwood Park Grammar School in Maidstone hosted a schools tournament which was made up of 9 schools from the surrounding area. Our East Peckham team played well in the heats to progress to the quarter-finals where they won 2-1. Next up was the semi-final which went to penalties after the game finished 1-1. Kieran was a safe pair of hands in goal as he saved all three penalties to send the team through to the final. Despite fabulous teamwork, neat passing and dogged determination, the team lost in the final, but they could definitely hold their heads high! An incredible effort from **Rio C, Teddy C, Ella D, Freddie**

D, Kieran F, Stanley G, Oliver L, Elijah S and Leo SN - well done!

Reminder: Father's Day Breakfast

Dear Dads and Grandads,

We would like to invite you into school to share breakfast with your children! On Friday 13th June, the school hall will be open from 7:30 until 8:45 for you to enjoy a hearty sausage or bacon sandwich together (vegan/veggie option is vegan sausage sandwich), before the children go in to start their school day. So that we are aware of how much food to buy please could we ask you to sign up in advance on Arbor via the School Shop for how many sandwiches are needed for you and your child/ren. We will still be able to take payment on the door for those who forget to sign up on Arbor - and tea and coffee will be available for free. We do hope you can join us as it is always such a lovely event and really sets the children up for a good day. For those of you who have to leave early, the classrooms will be open a little earlier from 8:15 to receive the children, but please remain with your child/ren until then. Enjoy!



Reminder: Breakfast Club - Booking Required!

Breakfast Club has become increasingly popular which means most days we are full and unfortunately we are having parents turning up in the morning without booking a space which means they are turned away at the door in order to stay within our ratios. **To avoid disappointment, you must book space for your child at least 24 hours prior to the session you want via Arbor > Clubs.**

If, when booking on Arbor it shows a blank session, this means it is full for that day. You can try to book onto the later session or sadly you will not be able to attend that morning. All breakfast club queries can be directed to Mrs Wall via breakfastclub@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk (this is monitored regularly and every morning prior to the session starting).

We would also like to remind you that our Behavior Policy at Breakfast Club is the same as within school and unfortunately, consistent poor behaviour will mean your child cannot attend the club.

Healthy breakfast options include:

CHOICE OF CEREALS
Weetabix, Cornflakes, Rice Krispies, Shreddies

TOAST/MUFFIN/PANCAKE OPTIONS
with: Jam, Marmite, Honey, Cheese

DRINKS OPTIONS
Fruit Juice, Water, Milk

OTHER FOOD OPTIONS
Fresh seasonal fruit
Yoghurt

7:30-8:30 £5.50 Breakfast included	OR	8:10-8:30 £2.50 Breakfast NOT included
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Pre-booking MUST be done via ARBOR to secure a space



Any questions please speak to Mrs Wall via email breakfastclub@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk

Reminder: Summer Fair Preparation

Come and join us for our summer fair on **Saturday 28th June 2025 between 12:00pm and 3:00pm**. It will be lots of fun, filled with stalls for parents and children to interact with, including **Crockery Smash**, **Alcohol Tombola**, **Face Painting**, **Bouncy Castle** and lots more! There will also be food and drink available throughout the day, including **hot dogs**, **burgers**, **sweets** and **ice cream**!

Please spread the word and invite all of your friends and family. Also, if you would like to hang a poster for us, it could be in your house window or in your place of work, then please do use the one that will be coming home with your children today. If you would like more then please do ask at the school office.

HELP:

Contributions

We would be really grateful for any contributions of:

- Alcohol bottles
- Chocolate gifts
- Crockery (which will be smashed)
- Old bookcases/shelving units (not to be returned - and we are happy to collect)

Support

We can only run these events if we have people to help run the stalls. If you can volunteer to run a stall from 12pm-3pm, then please notify the school office. If a group of parents work together then it would only be a short amount of time each to keep the stall open.

We would also appreciate some help from 12pm-2pm on Friday 27th to begin setting up some of the stalls - again, please notify the school office if you can help.

Gazebos

We are also looking for a few gazebos to borrow on the day (because it will, of course, be sunny!). If you are able to lend



one to the school (ideally with help to put it up too) then please let the school office know.

Advertising

We are more than happy to receive support from businesses with links to the school - if you can offer any support, then please do contact the school.

ACTIVITIES:

Egg Chuck

We are very excited to introduce a brand new event - the **East Peckham Egg Chuck!** Please sign up in advance if you want to join in to win the coveted Egg Chuck Trophy! Entry fee is just £2 a pair (please choose your partner wisely!) - and sign both of your names up on the list, which will be available after school or at the school office. *Please note; we need to be told in advance so that we can buy enough eggs.*

Raffle

We are also holding a raffle and tickets will be sent home after half term for you to purchase (or pass on to friends or relatives). We would also be grateful for any contributions towards the raffle - please email the office - many thanks in advance. Raffle tickets will also be sent home nearer the day.

Reminder: Swimming / PE / FOSIL

Year Group	Swimming Every week	PE Every week	FOSIL See dates below
R	Wednesday	Friday	Thursday
1	Tuesday	Monday	Tuesday
2	Tuesday	Monday	Tuesday
3	Tuesday	Monday	Monday
4	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday
5	Tuesday	Thursday	Monday
6	Tuesday	Wednesday	Monday
FOSIL / Forest School Week beginning:	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
9th June 2025	Year 4 and Year 6	Year 2	Year R
16th June 2025	Year 3 and Year 5	Year 1	Year R
23rd June 2025	Year 4 and Year 6	Year 2	Year R
30th June 2025	Year 3 and Year 5	Year 1	Year R
7th July 2025	Year 4 and Year 6	Year 2	Year R

Dates for your diary

New dates added are in **red**. More information about the events will be shared nearer the time.

Tuesday 10th June	Phonics Screening - all Year 1 children to be in school please	Year 1
Thursday 12th June	Lions trip to London Science Museum (<i>please give consent & payment by the 11th June</i>)	Year 5
Friday 13th June	Father's Day Breakfast - details tbc	Whole school
Monday 16th June	Meerkats Trip to Rye Harbour	Year 2
Monday 23rd June	HEALTHY WEEK: Golf	Whole school
Tuesday 24th June	HEALTHY WEEK: Quidditch	Whole school
Wednesday 25th June	HEALTHY WEEK: Archery	Whole school
Thursday 26th June	HEALTHY WEEK: Curling	Whole school
Friday 27th June	HEALTHY WEEK: Sports Day	Whole school
Saturday 28th June	SUMMER FAIR	Whole school
Friday 4th July	Sports Day (back up)	Whole school
Monday 14th July - Wednesday 16th July	Dolphin's Residential	Year 6
Friday 18th July	End of Term 6	Whole school

Designated Safeguarding Team

Mr Atkins - Mrs Elliott - Miss Ray - Mrs Sinden - Miss Worrall

Please notify any of the team if you have any concerns via dsl@eastpeckhamprimary.org.uk

Contact us

Headteacher - **Mrs Kate Elliott**
Chair of Governors - **Mrs Katie Bennett**

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